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COMMUNISTS TIGHTEN PRESS CONTROL

PEOPLE OBJECT TO IRON-CURTAIN METHODS -- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 31 Oct 49

Kuang-chou, 30 October -- The people in the four-city area (Hsin-hui, K'ai-p'ing, En-p'ing, and T'ai-shan) are extremely discontented about what the Communists have done to their newspapers since their arrival. Now the people in this area are unable to get outside news except from those newspapers smuggled in from other places. They are saying that the Chinese Communists are already applying Russian Iron-Curtain methods.

Since the arrival of the Communists, all the newspapers in the four-city area were either taken over by the Communists or ordered to stop publication. Those taken over were Kuang-hua Jih-pao in Hsin-ch'ang, Ch'ien-feng Jih-pao in Chang-sha, and Ta-t'ung Jih-pao in T'ai-shan. Those ordered to stop publication were the K'ai-p'ing Wan-pao in K'ai-p'ing, and the Min-hui Jih-pao, Min-ch'uan Pao, P'i-li Wan-pao, and Hsin-sheng Jih-pao in Hsin-hui and Chiang-men. The Communists spared only one newspaper, the Fu-hsing Pao, because it was already a Communist newspaper published by the Communist underground organization.

MCC ISSUES PROVISIONAL PRESS REGULATIONS -- Wen-hui Pao, 30 Oct 49

Kuang-chou -- The Kuang-chou Military Control Commission has issued provisional regulations requiring all Chinese newspapers, magazines, and news agencies now operating or intending to operate in Kuang-chou to register and secure a permit. Otherwise, they will be prohibited. They are required to submit, in a manner satisfactory to the Military Control Commission, full details concerning their existing or prospective publications, including aims and samples of publications. In addition, they must submit the names, addresses, and political affiliations, past and present, of their officers, editors, reporters, and financial backers, and other data. All applicants for a permit are obliged to agree to comply with the following stipulations:

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2. Never to oppose the people's democracy propaganda.
3. Never to reveal national, political, or military secrets.
4. Never to spread false rumors or slanderous propaganda.

Parties guilty of violating the above stipulations are liable to have their publications temporarily or permanently suspended. If the violation is of a criminal nature, they are subject to legal prosecution.

KUANG-CHOU NOW HAS 6 NEWSPAPERS -- Kuang-shang Jih-pao, 3 Nov 49

Kuang-chou, 2 November -- Six newspapers are still allowed to continue publication in Kuang-chou. They are Kuo-hua, Yueh-hua, Yueh-shang, Hsien-hsiang, Hsing-pao, and Lao-kung. Whether any of these newspapers will also be taken over by the Military Control Commission or not is unknown at present. On 1 November 1949, the Kuang-chou Military Control Commission took over their eighth newspaper in Kuang-chou, the Chien-kuo Jih-pao. The other seven papers were Chung-yang, Ta-kuang, Hsi-nan, Huan-ch'iu, Shang-pao, Cheng-hua, and Ch'ien-feng.

The printing shops of the former Ta-kuang Pao and Huan-ch'iu Pao were renamed by the Communists, the Nan-fang Printing Shop No 1 and No 2. The printing shop of the former Hsi-nan Pao is being moved to Shao-kuan to publish a new newspaper to be called the Pei-chiang Jih-pao.

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